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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: WHO, KS, KN

SUBJ: WHA: NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION FOR WHO MEMBERSHIP

REF A. STATE 74828 B. STATE 66738

1. NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP TAKEN UP WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY BRECKENRIDGE. EMBOFF MADE POINTS CITED REFS AND SUGGESTED THAT GSL MAKE POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION TO SITUATION IN KOREAN BY VOTING FOR POSTPONEMENT UNTIL 27 TH WHA. STRESS LAID ON GERMAN ANALOGY AND PAST UN TREATMENT KOREAN QUESTION. IN RESPONSE, BRECKENRIDGE EXPRESSED HIS GOVERNMENT' S SYMPATHY AND SAID THAT GSL WOULD CERTAINLY NOT RPT NOT VOTE AGAINST POSTPONEMENT RESOLUTION. HE SAID MATTER STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION IN GSL, BUT DELEGATION WILL SOON BE BRIEFED ON STAND THEY WILL TAKE 26 TH WHA, AND GSL MAY BE ABLE TO VOTE FOR RESOLUTION. QUESTION OF GOING AS FAR AS CO- SPONSOR OF RESOLUTION STILL HAS TO BE ANSWERED PRIOR DEPARTURE DELEGATION. BRECKENRIDGE NOT PARTICULARLY IMPRESSED BY ARGUMENT PARA 3 C STATE 65086 BECAUSE HE MAINTAINS GSL CONSIDERS THAT SUBSIDIARY UN BODIES SHOULD HAVE LIFE OTHEIR OWN WHICH CAN INCLUDE THOSE
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NOT MEMBERS OF THE UN. IN REVERSE, MEMBERSHIP IN UN DOES NOT AUTOMATICALLY INCLUDE MEMBERSHIP IN SUBSIDIARY BODIES.

2. BRECKENRIDGE PROMISED INFORM EMBASSY OF DECISIONS TAKEN PRIOR DEPARTURE GSL DELEGATION FOR GENEVA.

3. BRECKENRIDGE ALSO ASKED WHETHER EMBASSY PLANNED TO MAKE APPROACH FOR GSL SUPPORT FOR US CANDIDATE TO WHO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL. TOLD EMBASSY UNINSTRUCTED, BRECKENRIDGE SAID GSL WILL SUPPORT CANDIDATE.

4. PRIOR APPROACHING GSL, EMBASSY CHECKED WITH ROK TRADE REPRESENTATIVE SHIM AND LEARNED HE SAW BRECKENRIDGE RE NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION. SHIM REPORTED BRECKENRIDGE DID NOT COMMIT HIMSELF ON HOW GSL WOULD HANDLE MATTER AT GENEVA.

5. DIRGEN'S PROPOSAL FOR 25 PERCENT CONTRIBUTION CEILING TO WHO WILL BE SUBJECT SEPARATE APPROACH TO GSL.
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